

even, but it seems that the garrison has finally been abandoned.

The German pressure from the north under Gen. von Gallwitz and von Scholtz and from the south under Field Marshal von Mackensen continues, but the advance is slow.

**One Movement Seems Checked.**

The movement to the east of Poniwos appears checked for the moment and there is nothing to indicate that the Germans have there the overwhelming supply of heavy artillery ammunition which made their eastern campaign a success.

The Germans are approaching closer to the fortress of Kovno, but they have not yet succeeded in investing it. It is believed that this city must fall, but it is believed that the Russians will be able to withdraw toward Dvina. Ostrolenka and Orlowe are also attacked, but not taken.

Lodz appears to be partially invested. Its forces are supposed to number 15,000 to 20,000 men.

In the meantime the drive of General von Gallwitz has almost reached Wyszow, close to the Bug, nearest the Warsaw-Petrograd railway. The capture of Serok at the confluence of the Narew and the Bug on Saturday, reported yesterday, put an end to effective operations in the triangle between the rivers.

The Germans, crossing the Vistula at Warsaw to Praga and by throwing a strong force to the westward, have succeeded in completely investing Novo Georgievsk, upon which three forces are advancing, along the Vistula, the Narew and from the south. This may be counted as one movement.

It is believed that the Russians succeeded in getting away from Praga in safety. They maintained their artillery fire to the last, but there is no doubt that the overwhelming superiority of the Germans at last enabled them to throw pontoon bridges across the river where the old ruins were located. Inasmuch as von Gallwitz, von Scholtz and von Buelow have not yet cut the railway they had ample time to get away. This leaves the 40,000 men estimated in Novo Georgievsk in a position of Novos Minsk.

Gen. von Weyersbach advancing northward from Ivangorod has cut the Garwolin-Kurów road, and is now turning to the east toward Siedlce, fifty miles east of Warsaw on the Moscow railway. Their position is hardly more than twenty miles from the latter town and in the direction of Novo Minsk.

#### German Official Report.

The German official report, received to-night by wireless, is as follows:

Attacking troops before Kovno have pushed forward closer to the fortress. Four hundred and thirty Russians, including three officers, have been taken prisoner, and eight machine guns captured.

We also have made progress against the northern and western fronts of Lodz. In the fierce fighting which accompanied these operations three officers and 1,400 men were taken prisoner, while seven machine guns and an armored motor car were captured.

South of Lodz the Ostrow-Wyszow highway was crossed and the Russians, who in certain places offered stubborn resistance, were driven off.

Novo Georgievsk also has been cut off in the east between the Narew and the Vistula, and has been captured, and our troops are advancing further toward the east.

In the southern theatre:

The army of Gen. von Weyersbach crossed the Garwolin-Kurów highway, northward of Ivangorod.

During pursuit of a left wing army group Gen. Field Marshal von Mackensen forced the Russians back across the Vistula, and their left wings are approaching the line of Ostrow-Gans-Kucharsk, on the Bug.

#### TEUTONS DRIVING EAST.

##### Vienna Reports Fresh Advances Along Polish Front.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

VIENNA, via Amsterdam, Aug. 9.—The Austrians and Germans continue their drives to cut off the Russian forces, according to the official Austrian public this evening, and unofficially it is said there are high hopes of succeeding in a great measure. The statement is as follows:

The enemy retreated from the Vistula front and is being pursued.

Austro-German forces yesterday crossed the main road from Warsaw to Lublin in the vicinity of Ivangorod, and the railway from Warsaw to Ivangorod to Lukow at the village of Garwolin.

The left bank of the Wieprz and the right bank of the Vistula, near Ivangorod have been cleared of the enemy, and our troops have crossed the Wieprz in a direction northeast by north.

The battlefields of Lubartow and Miechow showed traces of the hasty flight of the enemy. The number of prisoners captured by the army of Archduke Joseph Ferdinand has been increased to 8,000.

The battle continues between the Wieprz and the Bug. Our troops repulsed the Russians at several points on the Dniester.

We captured 1,500 men and several machine guns.

#### RUSSIANS HOLD KOVNO.

##### Germans Repulsed From Advanced Positions, Says Petrograd.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

PETROGRAD, Aug. 9.—The following official statement was made public to-night by the General Staff:

The enemy renewed his attacks upon the fortifications of Kovno on Saturday night. Our positions were subjected to an intense bombardment today by artillery of all calibers, including the latest models. The attacks against our advanced positions are extremely desperate. According to the latest report the attack on Saturday night against the western front of Kovno was everywhere repulsed with enormous losses to the enemy. Our artillery is vigorously replying.

Between the Dvina and the Niemen rivers on Sunday we pressed the enemy back in the direction of Friedland, on the right bank of the Niemen, in the sector above Schoenberg.

In the district northwest of Wilkomir the German advance guards were dislodged with great loss in some villages. We took dozens of prisoners.

Near Ossowiec and in the district of Jedwabne there is violent cannonading.

There was isolated fighting on the left bank of the Narew on Sunday, especially in the direction of Lodz, and on the sector north of that city on the Ostrow road.

There are important actions in the other districts and on the right bank of the middle Vistula. There is no change on Bug River, the Zlota Lipa and the Inster.

#### LIBRARY IN WAR LOOT.

##### Russians Fear That of Warsaw University Is Doomed.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

LONDON, Aug. 9.—According to despatches from Petrograd to-day the great library of Warsaw University has fallen into the hands of the Germans. It could not be removed. There are expressed that it will either be destroyed or taken to Germany.

THE rapidity with which the eastern battle front is straightening is shown in the map diagram. One-half the great arc around Warsaw has been flattened and the line shortened many miles.

The arrows show the direction of the great Austro-German drives to cut off the railway trunk lines connecting Warsaw with the principal cities of Russia.



#### TEUTONS KNEW IN 1908 ITALY WAS WAVERING

Belgian Records Show Russia Intended to Destroy Treaty, Says Berlin Paper.

##### Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

BERLIN, via The Hague, Aug. 9.—The *Nieuwdeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* prints to-day further documents taken from the Belgian archives at Brussels. One of these shows that Baron Greindl, the Belgian Minister in Paris, reported to July 1908, that the real object of the Powers brought together by England to isolate Germany was not to be found in the speeches of the rulers, but in the utterances of the official press.

Another document purports to show that in October, 1908, M. Leghait, the Belgian Minister in Paris, reported that it was Russia's intention to destroy the Berlin Treaty.

In April 1909, Baron Greindl reported that neither Berlin nor Vienna had illusions regarding the eventual assistance that could be expected from Italy.

"The Quintin," he said, "has engaged itself to France and England and continually flirts with London and Paris. Nevertheless it adheres to the Triple Alliance as a guarantee for the loyalty of its new friends, who inspire only a limited confidence. The Quintin reserves the right to side with the most powerful support, as indicated at the time of the conference, when it supported France and England, or as recently in the Orient when it finally allied itself with Germany and Austria after maintaining an equilibrium between the two powers."

"Germany and Austria," he went on, "regard Italy as the ally because the defection would diminish their prestige and because it gives them a chance of not having Italy as an adversary in the event of a European conflict."

#### GEN. VON HINDENBURG IN WOOD

##### Sails Driven in Berlin Statue Will Indicate Charity Gifts.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

LONDON, Aug. 10 (Tuesday).—The Hague correspondent of the *Daily Mail* reports that a gigantic statue of Field Marshal von Hindenburg is to be unveiled at the end of the Siegesallee in Berlin, August 28, which will serve the unique purpose of assisting the war charities.

The statue is to be constructed of wood, and it is to be adorned with sails driven in by the public.

Any German who contributes one mark is to have the privilege of driving a nail. It is estimated that 1,500,000 nails will be necessary to cover the statue.

#### NO CHARM IN GERMAN'S MUSIC.

##### Britons Arrest and Deport Kaiser's Court Pianist.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Maria Cecilia Natalie Jonath, who bears the royal designation of pianist to Emperor Wilhelm, was arrested in London to-day and deported from Tilbury.

Maria Cecilia, whose designation as pianist to the Kaiser has been known for many years, has lived for years in England. She has received decorations for music from many countries and is a member of the academies of Italy, Great Britain, Germany and Italy. Queen Victoria gave her the Victoria badge. She is a diplomat of the St. Cecilia Royal Academy of Rome. She edited Lady Tennison's songs and translated Chopin's greater works.

The *Daily Express* says that, although Frau Natalie Jonath had claims on the friendship of royal and other women of high estate, including Queen Mother Alexandra and that even after the outbreak of the war she visited royal and aristocratic houses, she developed a force hatred for everything British.

She denounced England at times with fierce contempt and it was an unguarded expression of her mind in a fit of temper that led to the decision to deport her.

#### EVENTS IN THE WAR A YEAR AGO TO-DAY

**AUGUST 10.**

Muelhausen is occupied by the French forces in Alsace and the victorious troops reach the outskirts of Colmar.

The city of Liege is occupied by German troops, although the forts of the city still hold out.

A Japanese fleet departs to begin the bombardment of Tsing-tao, the German naval base in the Far East.

#### ALLIES SINK 9,000 TON TURKISH BATTLESHIP

##### The Kheyr-ed-Din Barbarossa, Bought From Germany, Destroyed by Submarine.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

BERLIN, via London, Aug. 9.—The Turkish Government announced to-day the destruction by an allied submarine of the Turkish battleship *Kheyr-ed-Din Barbarossa* of 9,000 tons displacement, formerly the German warship *Kurfurst Friedrich Wilhelm*. The battleship was sunk this morning.

A majority of the crew were saved, it is said. The announcement says that the loss is not a serious one and does not change the status of Turkish naval power, "except that it places the strength of our ships compared to that of the enemy in the ratio of one to ten."

The *Kheyr-ed-Din Barbarossa* was bought by Turkey from Germany in 1910. She was built at Kiel in 1891, a fact which means that she was practically obsolete as a fighting unit. Her complement consisted of 600 officers and men.

She carried four 11 inch guns in turrets fore and aft, two 11 inch guns in a turret amidships, eight 4.1 inch guns and eight 3.4 inch guns. She was armed with two submerged torpedo tubes.

#### LILOYD GEORGE OUSTS FRIEND OF KITCHENER

##### Sir Percy Girouard Dismissed From Munitions Department—News Held Up.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

Mail advices from London give a further hint of the strained relations existing between Lord Kitchener, Minister of War, and David Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions. Sir Percy Girouard, who was called to the Munitions Department soon after it was formed, has been dismissed by Mr. Lloyd George on the ground that he did not prove equal to the tasks assigned to him.

Sir Percy Girouard went to the Munitions Department as the personal friend of Lord Kitchener from the restoration of the great Armstrong gun, shipbuilding and armor making firm.

At the time Mr. Lloyd George accepted his appointment as Minister of Munitions, he was a member of the House of Commons.

Little news has passed the censor in regard to the evident strain existing between the head of the Munitions Department and Lord Kitchener. Enough has leaked through, however, to make it certain that a breach of no small proportions did exist between the two men.

As yesterday's mail brought the first word of Sir Percy Girouard's resignation, it is apparent that the censor refused to permit transmission of the news by cable at the time, although it was later overlooked in the mails.

#### RUSH 1,000,000 WAR STOVES.

##### Allies Demand Delivery by Mercers, P. A. Plant Before Winter.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

MERCERS, Pa., Aug. 9.—So insisted has become the demand of the Allied European Governments for haste in filling an order for over a million camp stoves given some time ago that the Mercers Stove Company of this place today issued a notice to all employees that hereafter there would be no Saturday afternoon holiday and that the working day would be increased a half hour. The demand that the Allies' contract be entirely filled before the cold weather sets in resulted in to-day's action.

#### Swedish Ship Sunk; 10 Missing.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The Swedish steamship *Mai* has been sunk by a German submarine. A Copenhagen despatch says that one boat, containing the captain and nine men, is missing, while another, containing seven men and a woman, has been picked up.

#### Belgians Report Bombardments.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The Belgian War office issued the following statement to-day:

There has been intermittent bombardment at different parts of our front to-day, followed by infantry action.

#### BRITISH RETAKE LOST TRENCHES IN HOOGE REGION

32 French Aeroplanes Raid Saarbrueck, Rhenish Prussian Factory Town.

#### DROP 160 BOMBS IN ONE DISTRICT

##### Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The British forces before Hooze, in Belgium, threw themselves against the Germans this morning and were everywhere successful. All of the trenches in this locality lost to the Germans on July 30 were retaken, as well as some fresh ground, making in all the capture of about two-thirds of a mile of fortifications.

The British batteries, supported by those of the French, began to cast a blanket of fire over the German positions early in the day by way of leveling out the ground as much as possible and throwing the German troops into disorganization. This work having been accomplished the British troops attacked, jumped out of their trenches and charged across the intervening ground with great gusto. They jumped into the German trenches and held on in spite of counter attacks when followed.

Field Marshal Sir John French failed to speak of the extent of the British casualties in his action. He says, however, that his men took 127 German prisoners, three of whom were officers, and captured two machine guns. His report of the engagement follows:

Since my communiqué of August 1 the artillery on both sides has been active northeast of Ypres, and the exchanges of the advantage have been with us.

This morning after a successful artillery bombardment, the British infantry, supported by the French, moved forward effectively, we attacked the trenches near Hooze, captured by the enemy on July 30. These were all retaken.

Following up the success we further progressed west and north of Hooze, extending our front to 1,200 yards. During the fighting our artillery captured 124 men of other ranks and two machine guns.

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